

THE MILLIONAIRE GIRL'S \$249 SPRING CYCLING SUIT AND

BICYCLE girls are now planning their Spring wardrobes. They have even neglected thinking of Easter costumes until the momentous question of what their Spring bicycle suit shall be has been decided. Such is their allegiance to the wheel.

And the bicycle outfits vary greatly according to the wealth and social position of the purchaser. The unfortunate father of the young woman



An Odd Hat and \$15 Belt.

who is a member of the "400" will find that it will require his check for nearly \$250 merely to supply his daughter with her Spring bicycle clothes, to say nothing of her wheel and its many accessories.

Tailors of acknowledged reputation charge for their best bicycle suits of two pieces from \$65 to \$85. This Spring these fashionable tailors are showing for bicycle costumes an array of light weight fancy chevrons, and also reversible covert coatings for Spring wear.

The chevrons come in all the new shades of the season, and many of them are striped or invisibly plaided.

One of the most correct bicycle costumes, and incidentally the most expensive, for this season of the year is made of a greenish blue chevron, lined with brocaded silk, and trimmed with braid. The coat is a jaunty Eton, which fits the figure closely at the back. It is made with broad Lancer revers of black velvet, which turn back to show a bit of the waist worn beneath.

The jacket is trimmed down the front with black braid, and braiding is also used to decorate the skirt, which idea is something entirely new this season. In length the skirt, which is more often divided than circular, is about eight inches from the ground.

A braided suit of this description, lined with the brocaded silk and made by a Fifth avenue tailor, would cost \$85.

The bloomers are an extra expense. They may be made of a variety of materials. A fabric called moiré, which is a cotton-back moiré, is recommended for its wearing capacity. Peau de sole makes luxurious bloomers, but perhaps plain India silk for warm weather is most advisable, as it can always be washed. Besides the silk bloomers a pair of black tights should be part of every complete bicycle outfit. The silk bloomers will cost about \$5.

The waists to wear with her bicycle suit must be many. She will need six shirt waists. Two should be made of Linon, and two perhaps of the new Swisses, which are so effective this year, sprinkled with a colored dot. The others may be in any of the new cotton materials. For these waists made to order she will have to pay at least \$25.

She will also need two silk shirt waists, one costing \$15, and one for \$25.

Three neckties at \$1.50 apiece will cost \$4.50. These neckties are not stocks. The young woman who wishes to be extremely exclusive scorns a stock this Spring. She wears her necktie pulled through a ring. The ring may be of gold, studded with emeralds, and costing \$200, or it may be merely of gold, and not jewel studded. The ring, however, is not considered a necessary part of even the fashionable girl's bicycle outfit.

In the matter of hats the bicycle girl has many varieties from which to choose. The English walking hat is still the most correct for bicycling. A hat



A Spring Bicycle Outfit for a Swell Girl Which Costs \$249.

suitable to wear with the \$85 costume is a walking shape, made of black and white straw. The rather high crown is white chip, and the rolling brim coarse black straw. The crown is indented. The hat is trimmed with black ostrich feather pompons, black and greenish blue quills, and a wide ribbon band. It can't be bought for less than \$10.

The fashionable girl will need two other hats to wear on her wheel. One of the latest fancies is the hat resembling the Alpine in shape, but made of three different colored straws. Then there is an exceedingly novel hat, Alpine in shape, but a trifle broader in effect. This has the top of the crown finished by a puffing of grass cloth, and is trimmed with quills and a broad band of ribbon.

The swell bicycle girl will not wear high leather boots this Spring, especially on balmy, sunshiny days. She can afford to have bicycle hose and low shoes, and so she wears them.

The latest bicycle stockings are of wool and come plaided and in the soft heather mixtures. They are woven with a broad band, which turns down, not at the knee, but about half way, in the middle of the leg. These stockings cost anywhere from 75 cents to \$1.25 a pair.

Her shoes must be of Dongola leather, made all in one piece, and with the softest soles. These vary in price from



A New Sweater.

\$8 to \$15, according to where they are made. If she wishes a pair of high boots she should buy them with horsehide soles, which make them exceptionally light.

Her kid gloves, with ventilated palms, will cost at least \$1, and her corset \$5.

Her belt is one of her greatest extravagances. She is more apt to buy a half dozen than one. Among the pretty but inexpensive belts this season are those in different colored leathers, bound with which patent leather. The more costly ones are made of medallions of old silver, held together by fine chains over a leather belt as a foundation. These belts are frequently studded with jewels, and are really works of art. They vary in price from \$10 to \$30.

When the girl of the "400" has completed her Spring bicycle wardrobe her much-to-be-pitied father will be apt to receive a bill which will read much like the following:

Bicycle costume, two pieces.....	\$85.00	Six cotton shirt waists.....	\$25.00
Cloth hat to match suit.....	5.00	Three silk neckties.....	4.50
Two silk shirt waists.....	40.00	Bicycle shoes made to order.....	10.00
Two pairs cycling hose.....	2.50	Corset.....	5.00
Bicycle boots.....	15.00	Belt.....	15.00
Two pairs of gloves.....	2.00	Sweater, in silk and wool.....	8.00
Black tights.....	2.00		
Two pairs of silk bloomers.....	10.00		
Two straw cycling hats.....	20.00		
		Total.....	\$249.00

This bill, it must be remembered, is simply for the Spring outfit. When the Summer days come the chevron suit must be replaced by one of linen or crash, just as well made, and then for another bill to be sent to the head of the family.

The fair member of the "400" has her bicycle suit made to order by a ladies' tailor, perhaps the very one who so admirably fitted her Spring tailor-made gown. She can thus be assured that her aunt will fit, and that it will have a certain individuality of its own. For this she will gladly allow her father to pay the price.